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ABSTRACT

This guide is designed to teach foster parents, direct care providers, and house parents how to help children develop interpersonal relationship skills. The book focuses on developing the whole child through intellectual, psychological, and moral development. Specific techniques for creating a nurturing environment for children are discussed, as well as techniques for improving child self-esteem and teaching children self-control. Chapters are as follows: (1) Introduction; (2) How Little Kids Think; (3) How Older Kids Think; (4) How Kids Think About Right and Wrong; (5) Creating a Moral Climate; (6) How Kids Develop Psychosocially; (7) The Identity Crisis; (8) Improving Children's Self-Esteem; (9) Motivating Kids to Be Responsible and Have Self-Control; (10) How to Teach Kids; (11) Disciplining Kids; (12) Living in a Fishbowl; (13) Communicating Better with Kids and Co-Workers; (14) Resolving Conflict for Kids and Co-Workers; (15) Advice from Houseparents; and (16) Handling Stress. Includes an index. (SR)

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